

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

449

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 14, 2019

RE: H.B. No. 272

H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2019
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.B. No. 272, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to exempt public utilities providing basic exchange service to every county in the State, or any affiliate or parent of such public utilities, from the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission and Consumer Advocate, including provisions relating to financial reporting, rate regulation, issuance of securitized assets, disposal of property, and relations with affiliates.

Verizon and Hawaiian Telcom supported this measure. Charter Communications opposed this measure. The Public Utilities Commission and Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs provided comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 272, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Consumer
Protection & Commerce,

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ROY M. TAKUMI, Chair



